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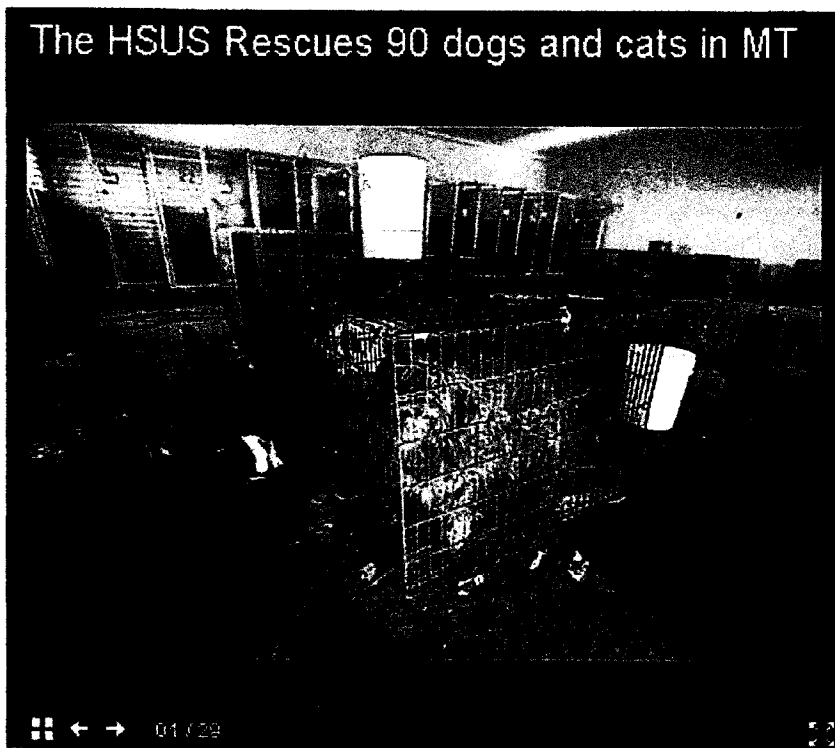
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Animals Rescued from Overcrowded Montana Shelter

The HSUS removes about 90 animals from eastern Montana facility

The HSUS Rescues 90 dogs and cats in MT



BAKER, Mont. — The Humane Society of the United States worked with the Fallon County Sheriff's Department to remove 60 dogs and 30 cats from Eastern Montana Humane Society. The Sheriff's Department served a seizure warrant for the animals held at EMHS Tuesday morning due to violations of the Montana animal cruelty code.

"The Humane Society of the United States is grateful to the Fallon County Sheriff's Department for upholding the cruelty laws and calling us in to rescue these animals," said Adam Parascandola, director of

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Animal Cruelty for The HSUS. "These are highly adoptable dogs and cats who deserve to be living as cherished family pets."

When responders arrived at the EMHS, which is not affiliated with The HSUS, they found large numbers of dogs and cats living in filthy, cramped pens and crates. Many of the animals were housed for long periods of time in unsafe and unsanitary enclosures. Some of the animals were suffering from skin and parasite infections. The HSUS also gathered EMHS animals from several other locations.

The HSUS is safely removing all of the animals and transporting them to a nearby temporary shelter set up specifically for this rescue by The HSUS and United Animal Nations. Once there the animals will receive thorough veterinary checks and any necessary medical treatment. The HSUS called in United Animal Nations to provide critical sheltering support on this mission. PetSmart Charities® also donated much-needed sheltering supplies for the rescued animals.

The HSUS and UAN will care for these animals at the temporary shelter until they are ready to be transported. Once all of the animals have proper medical documentation The HSUS will transport them in specially equipped 75-foot mobile sheltering vehicle to rescue groups where they will be available for adoption.

High-quality photos of the rescue will be available via request.

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